# Quality Times

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### **Quote of the Quarter**

Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.



# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* THE 4TH ANNUAL PROCUREMENT AND QUALITY CONFERENCE



NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth is finalizing the agenda for the upcoming Procurement and Quality Conference being held 22 – 24 May 2001 at Cooper River Landing, The Conference Center at SPAWAR Systems Center, Charleston, South Carolina. Individuals are responsible for making their own hotel and transportation accommodations. Hotel logistics and specific conference information can be found on our web site at www.nslcptsmh.navsea.navy.mil.

#### **PPAIS PASSIVE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT**

NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth has been assigned the responsibility for continued development,

implementation, and deployment of the DoD Past Performance Automated Information System (PPAIS). The Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics) has determined that this will be accomplished under the direction of the Joint Electronic Commerce Program Office (JECPO).

PPAIS will have two components, one the "ACTIVE" element, that contains report cards on DoD contractors and is currently a functional system. The other element will be "PASSIVE", which is defined as being comprised of information that has been obtained from external pre-existing sources. The purpose of the "PASSIVE" system is to centralize quality and delivery data from the Navy/Marine Corps, Army, Air Force, and the Defense Logistics Agency.

The PPAIS Passive System is currently under development. There are representatives from each DoD component on this development team that include individuals involved in the quality

and procurement fields. This team will make decisions regarding the records and fields to be collected, as well as the methodologies used for evaluation and classification criteria.

The objective is to have a functional system in place by the end of the year, so that all Services will have the benefit of an automated past performance system with data from multiple sources.

## NAVSEALOGCENDET PORTSMOUTH WEB SITE

NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth has recently unveiled a fresh, new look to their web site. Links are now provided to a number of our web-enabled applications. These include:

- RYG
- Contractor RYG
- Level I/SS
- Computer Support Requests (CSRs)
- Supplier Audit Program
- Conference information

All conference information, which includes hotel logistics and agendas, is provided along with previous conference information.

- **DoD Past Performance Automated Information System**PPAIS working group information is accessible to working group users.
- CPARS/CPARS Computer Based Training (CBT)

User friendly and can be easily accessed.

• Computer Based Training

PDREP version 3.6, RYG and the Level 1/SS program also have a CBT provided at this web site.



NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth is progressing towards a paperless web-enabled Product Quality Deficiency Report (PQDRs) that will allow a PQDR (SF-368) to be initiated and processed through the Screening, Action, and Support Points with attachments. The Originating, Screening, and Action Point functionality is scheduled to be completed shortly. After the programming has been tested, it will be presented at our upcoming Procurement and Quality

Conference scheduled for 22 May 2001. The next phase is to complete the Support Point programming which will allow the

DCMA PQDR focal points to receive PQDRs and provide preventive and corrective action responses using the PDREP PQDR web system. Questions about the PQDR project may be directed to the Technical Data Analysis Division Head at commercial 603-431-9460 or DSN 684-1690, extension 462.

**CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE** 

### ASSESSMENT REPORTING SYSTEM (CPARS) UPDATE



CPARS is a web-enabled application that collects and manages the Navy library of automated CPARs. A CPAR assesses a contractor's performance and provides a record, both positive and negative, on a given contract for a specific period of time. A new release to CPARS was deployed 28 March 2001. Some new additions to this release include:

To-do lists for the Focal Point and Senior Contractor
New contract status reports
Additional e-mail functionality
Added North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) field
Allow more pre-loading of information for follow-on CPARS
Additional sort options for the Senior Contractor
Feedback feature to allow users to provide comments/suggestions

#### ANNUAL GIDEP WORKSHOP

The annual Government and Industry Data Exchange Program (GIDEP) workshop is scheduled for May 7-10, 2001 in Kansas City, MO. The theme for this year is "GIDEP---Information for Today......Value for Tomorrow". The workshop is an excellent opportunity to learn about and sample the sharing of information among government agencies and industry. The Navy provides GIDEP program management in accordance with an agreement with the Joint Logistics Commanders. Participants in GIDEP are provided, at no cost, electronic access to six major data types. In



addition, there is an Urgent Data Request (UDR) system that allows participants having technical problems a rapid query to the GIDEP community for obtaining information to resolve the issue. Since its inception, GIDEP has emphasized the swift transmission of current information to its users. GIDEP is a fully automated retrieval and distribution system which makes information immediately available. Additional information on the workshop, or for general information on GIDEP, access the following site: WWW.GIDEP.ORG.

### RED\YELLOW\GREEN UPDATE



The NAVSEALOGCENDET Portsmouth is pleased to announce the Red\Yellow\Green Application is now "web-enabled". Users may access this application by going to our web page and logging on to RYG. If you would like to access RYG and do not presently have a User ID and Password, simply click on "User Access Requests" and follow instructions.

As reported in our last Newsletter, The Navy and Air Force are now partners in

RYG. All Contractor classifications will now include Air Force Delivery, Product Quality Deficiency Reports (PQDRs) and Pre-Award Survey data in the evaluation process. Soon the Air Force will be using the RYG application in their "source selection" process.



Last Issue's Trivia Question
Who was the only U.S. President to have won
a Pulitzer Prize?
Answer: John F. Kennedy

This Issue's Trivia Question:
What is the second largest country in the world?
Answer: In next issue...